

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” – MATTHEW 14:19

Dear Lifewater Family,

As I've had conversations with partners like you, I've heard your passion to love and serve vulnerable children, to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the hurting.

We share that passion deeply here at Lifewater. That's why it's so encouraging to see the incredible impact we've made together for children and families living in extreme poverty.

ENDLINE RESULTS

In 2019, we completed the first project cycle for three of our major country programs: West Arsi, Ethiopia, Kaliro, Uganda, and Mayuge, Uganda. Our in-country staff conducted extensive endline studies to measure progress on indicators such as safe water access and childhood health.

The reports have shown tremendous improvement for each region. Our first report in West Arsi, completed this past summer, revealed a 98% decrease in prevalence of childhood diarrhea, a leading cause of death in children. In Mayuge, Uganda, our endline survey

showed an 87% reduction in time gathering water. Now, instead of spending more than an hour and a half, mothers and children can gather water for their family in about 15 minutes.

These are seismic changes! Mothers have time to work, children have time to go to school, and most importantly, lives are being saved. This is the transformative impact you have made possible.

LOOKING AHEAD

Large programs like West Arsi, Kaliro, and Mayuge will move to the next stages in 2020, where our focus will shift to construction, schools, and building up local ownership as we prepare to move to the next project areas. We anticipate our people served number to remain similar to 2019; we'll be adding nearly 30,000 beneficiaries in Tanzania, while

about the same number in Uganda will be graduating.

Our water projects will continue to expand in 2020 along with increased drilling capacity. We're on target to exceed our record-breaking 207 completed water projects in 2019. Additionally, we'll be expanding our work in schools to ensure that more children receive a quality education.

Thank you for demonstrating Christ's love to children and families in hard-to-reach places. You're changing lives every day.

Grace and peace,



David LeVan
INTERIM CEO

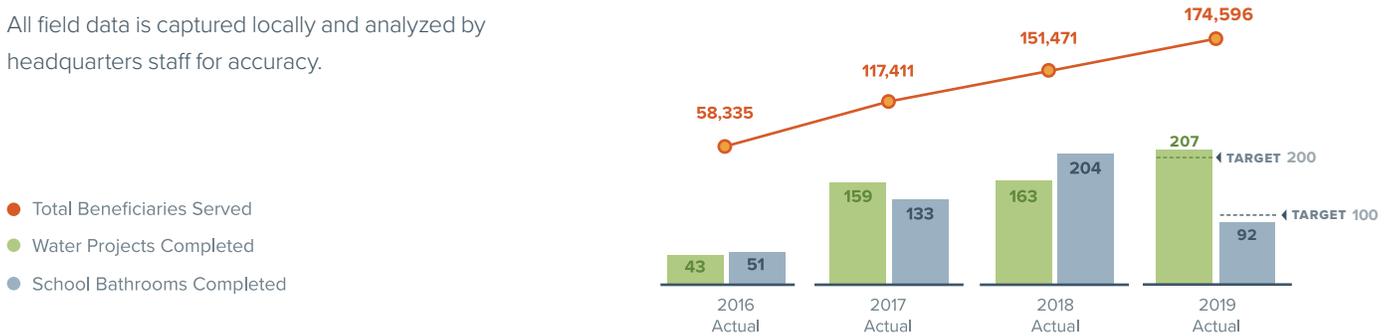


Q4 2019 Results

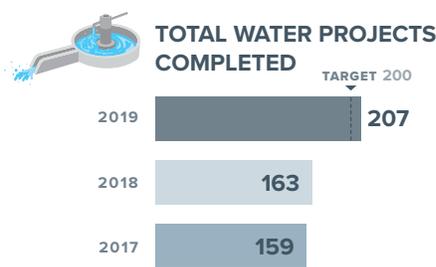
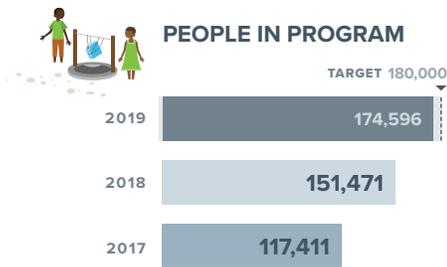
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TOTAL BENEFICIARIES & OUTPUTS

All field data is captured locally and analyzed by headquarters staff for accuracy.



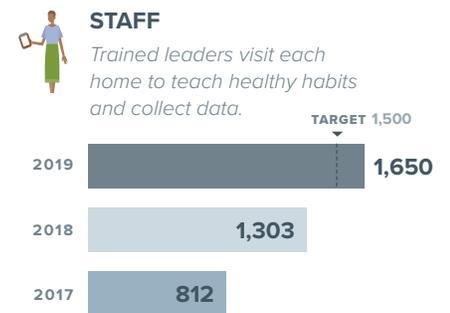
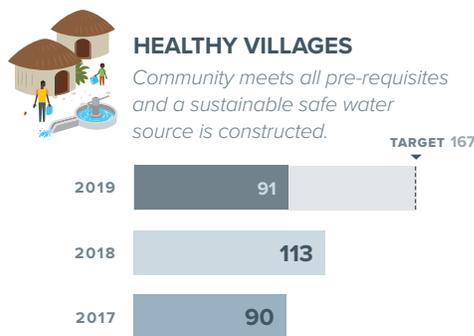
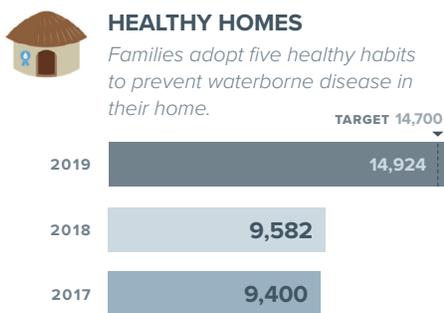
SAFE WATER ACCESS



WATER SOURCE SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability data is for projects completed from 2016 onward.

COMMUNITY HEALTH



CHURCH MOBILIZATION

Church mobilization efforts are executed in partnership with EECMY, New Generations, Africa Renewal University, and local staff.



Country Updates

ETHIOPIA

COUNTRY OFFICE: AWASA

Ethiopia introduced a new suite of school trainings, including incorporating WASH into standard science/health lessons, and training for school administrators to better serve female students who have reached puberty. In total, 72 school teachers have participated in our training program. In villages, new community water committees are now working together to prepare for the upcoming drilling season.



UGANDA

COUNTRY OFFICE: KAMPALA

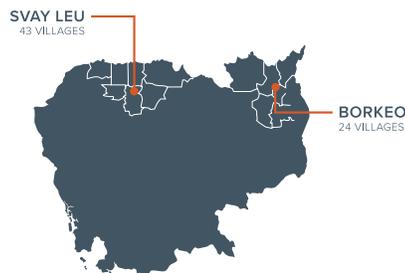
Lifewater staff continued to support churches in Kaliro, Mayuge, and Kakumiro to incorporate WASH practices and serve their neighbors. By the end of 2019, 96 churches had been registered as Healthy Churches. It was also a full quarter for construction. Lifewater constructed 45 new and rehabilitated water points, the largest number of water points completed in a single quarter in Lifewater's history in Uganda.



CAMBODIA

COUNTRY OFFICE: SIEM REAP

Cambodia, a country with one of the lowest rates of adequate sanitation in the world, celebrated the enormous achievement of four villages certified by the Cambodian government as being Open Defecation Free (ODF). This certification means all homes in the community constructed latrines and represents months of hard work and collaboration between Lifewater and local community members.



TANZANIA

COUNTRY OFFICE: MWANZA

Final preparations are being made before the full staff are hired and begin work in communities in 2020. The Area Program Manager visited every village to meet with local leaders, share about the project, and hear their insights about the communities. The Director of Engineering also visited current village water sources to begin preparing technical plans for providing sustainable safe water.



Impact Story

How Clean Water Changed Life for Amsalech's Family

In Saga Meleya village, Ethiopia, pregnant women struggled under the strain of heavy containers of water and long walks to gather water. Children were dangerously ill and rushed to the hospital each month for treatment of waterborne illness.

Mothers and fathers cried out to God for safe water.

Today, Saga Meleya village has safe water just steps from their homes. According to mothers like Amsalech, God sent his messengers to bring the water.

Amsalech and her husband, Tamiru, have three children and farm coffee at their home in Saga Meleya village.

"In order to bring water, I had to rise early in the morning and travel a long distance; I became out of work and spent much time gathering water," Amsalech recalled. "My children were also sick with waterborne diseases and I lost a lot of money bringing them to the hospital."



Amsalech and her husband, Tamiru, now have time to invest in their family's future.



Children in Saga Meleya village gathering safe water from their new water source

Amsalech's community used to gather water from a muddy spring in the forest. In 2019, Lifewater donors gave to fund their village water project.

"Now, our long years' problem of water is solved," she said. "We no longer share water with animals."

Amsalech watched her parents and grandparents battle painful, costly waterborne illness and long walks for water. She is overjoyed to know that she will not pass the burden to her children. The new water source is built to last.

"I am really happy with my life today," her husband, Tamiru, said. "We are trying to maximize our income with coffee seedling sales every year, and I hope one day we will be able to build a new modern house to live in."

Safe water is giving health and valuable time back to families.

Amsalech praised God saying, "Thanks to the Lord Jesus, we are able to use clean water close to home to lessen our burden."

"I feel motivated to drink this water every time; it is like fresh tea," Amsalech added.

With safe water and sanitation practices, families like Amsalech's are transformed. All across rural Ethiopia, you are making change possible for mothers just like Amsalech. Your gifts meet those in need each day, provide water for the thirsty, and answer God's call to love the vulnerable.

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Financials

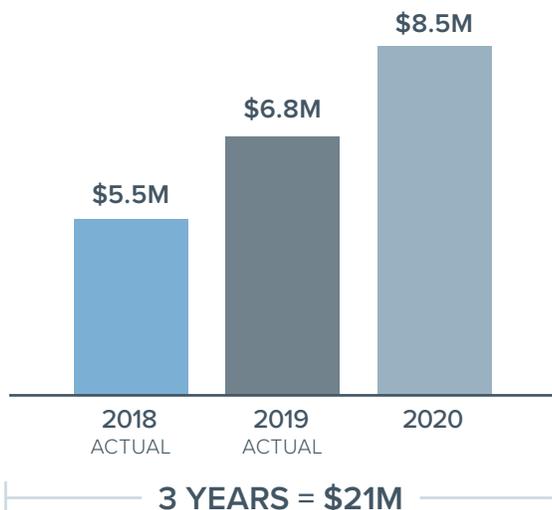
Lifewater maintained strong financial growth throughout 2019. Total revenue increased 22% over 2018, with significant gains in online fundraising. This strong growth in revenue allowed for continued growth of programs activities and extensive

hardware construction. Investment in capital assets including vehicles for a new drilling rig and program support vehicles will provide the infrastructure for continued service to remote communities. Lifewater does not carry any debt.

STATEMENT of ACTIVITIES

	2018	2019
REVENUE	\$5,541,821	\$6,757,325
EXPENSES	\$5,331,535	\$6,438,234
NET INCOME	\$210,286	\$319,091

TOTAL BUDGET OVER 3 YEARS



STATEMENT of FINANCIAL POSITION *(preliminary)*

	as of 2018	as of 2019
ASSETS		
Cash and Equivalents	\$1,101,361	\$1,151,420
Pledges Receivable	\$595,277	\$567,615
Prepaid & Other	\$79,346	\$115,152
Current Assets	\$1,775,984	\$1,834,187
Fixed Assets (Net)	\$464,411	\$744,345
Long-Term Assets	\$83,805	\$39,418
Total Assets	\$2,324,200	\$2,617,950
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$69,730	\$23,660
Accrued Expenses	\$130,053	\$159,759
Current Liabilities	\$199,783	\$183,419
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted Assets	\$1,305,055	\$1,885,659
Restricted Assets	\$819,362	\$548,872
Total Net Assets	\$2,124,417	\$2,434,531
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$2,324,200	\$2,617,950

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